

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph 1027 on page 9 with the following paragraph:

Signal-Bearing Machine-Readable Data Storage Media

Wherever the functionality of any operational components of the disclosure is implemented using one or more machine-executed program sequences, these sequences may be embodied stored in on various forms of signal-bearing machine-readable data storage media. In the context of FIGURE 2, such a signal-bearing machine-readable data storage media may comprise, for example, the storage 204 or ~~another signal-bearing media~~, such as a magnetic data storage diskette 300 (FIGURE 3), directly or indirectly accessible by a processor 202. Whether contained in the storage 206, diskette 300, or elsewhere, the instructions may be stored on a variety of machine-readable data storage media. Some examples include direct access storage (e.g., a conventional "hard drive", redundant array of inexpensive disks ("RAID"), or another direct access storage device ("DASD")), serial-access storage such as magnetic or optical tape, electronic non-volatile memory (e.g., ROM, EPROM, flash PROM, or EEPROM), battery backup RAM, optical storage (e.g., CD-ROM, WORM, DVD, digital optical tape), or paper "punch" cards,~~or other suitable signal-bearing media including analog or digital transmission media and analog and communication links and wireless communications.~~ In one embodiment, the machine-readable instructions may comprise software object code, compiled from a language such as assembly language, C, etc.

Please amend paragraph 1065 on page 22 with the following paragraph:

In addition, those of ordinary skill in the relevant art will understand that information and signals may be represented using a variety of different technologies and techniques. For example, any data, instructions, commands, information, signals, bits, symbols, and chips referenced herein may be represented by voltages, currents, electromagnetic

waves, magnetic fields or particles, optical fields or particles, other items, or a combination of the foregoing.